

Minutes of a Special Meeting
Held at the City Center
November 8, 1993

The meeting was called to order by Mayor D. Lynn Crook at 7PM. Councilmembers present: Keith Broadhead, David Hathaway, Hordt Carter, Max Holman and Calvin Wall. Calvin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Others present: George & Jaunita Anderson, Mike Smith, Paul Bean, ElRay Davis, Merelda Davis, Janet Hathaway, Jay Hathaway, Linda Brinkeroff, Ray Shepherd, John French, Joe Davis, Kim Broadhead, Mark Hales, Sgt. Clay Jensen, Cathy Jensen, Rhoda Brown, Officer Rod Hurst, Lorna Lloyd and Leann Moody with the Provo Herald. Dennis Howard arrived very late.

Canvass the Votes: Council checked the Talley Sheets for the November 2, 1993 election and compared them to the registered voters. Hordt stated the canvass was in order and moved to approve the 1993 Municipal Election Returns as follows:

Mark Edward Birchette, Mayor.....	15 votes
Keith Broadhead, Mayor.....	287 votes
Jack L. Stickney, Mayor.....	261 votes
Paul Bean, Councilman.....	315 votes
Lisa Howard, Councilman (withdrew).....	18 votes
Lee G. Leifson, Councilman.....	132 votes
LaMar B. Openshaw, Councilman.....	287 votes
Calvin L. Wall, Councilman.....	340 votes

Max seconded, passed 5-0.

Police Protection: Mayor Crook stated the Public Hearing on the County proposal for police protection was a success. Everyone's questions were answered and they were good questions. He felt the cost of the two programs and the on duty time would be a wash.

Mark Hales stated, due to the recent election, he wanted to personally express his appreciation to Mayor Crook for the job he has done. He has done a lot of good behind the scenes work. Often people just complain and don't give credit. Mr. Hales then presented the Council with a petition of over two hundred family names encouraging the Council to maintain the local police department.

George Anderson stated he liked the town as is. If they elected to accept the County offer the Police Officers should be guaranteed a job. He is happy the way it is now.

Ned Thomas stated the County was only offering leadership. The rest we have anyway. May need to bump salaries to keep and train our own officers. Need to hire a chief and pay the price.

ElRay Davis stated he was an officer for Santaquin for twelve years. When they called the County for backup they did not treat the citizens with respect. He preferred to stay with local officers.

Ray Shepherd ask how many officers have left in the last five years.

Mayor Crook answered four plus Mike Mellon who just wanted to work untill there was an opening in Payson. They should never have hired him.

Mr. Shepherd - that was my point, you need to hire officers who want to live here.

Mayor Crook stated only one officer left to better himself. The rest left for other reasons.

Linda Brinkeroff asked the cost to train one of our officers as chief and how long it would take.

Keith answered no one wants to be the Chief, do you Clay?

Sgt. Jensen answered it would be a challenge.

Mayor Crook - they need a man with the right kind of training which comes partly with experience.

Mark Hales - police protection is high on our list of priorities.

Rhoda Brown - how long have current officers lived in Santaquin and do they own their homes. How long before the County would increase the cost of their contract.

Mayor Crook - Clay Jensen has worked four years in January and is a home owner. Rod Hurst has worked three years in March and is a home owner. Mike Tischner was raised in Santaquin, wants to live in Santaquin but is not a home owner.

Mark Hales stated the officers were not over paid.

Mayor Crook stated there were other reasons why officers left Santaquin.

Max stated there was no reason to believe the Council wanted to dissolve the police department. When the police chief resigned someone contacted the County (it was not a Council member) and the County presented a proposal. The proposal was put before the public at a hearing. The whole issue has been blown out of proportion.

Keith stated at least we found out how much support the local officers have.

Mayor Crook said the County also offered to send an officer to act as police chief until another was appointed.

Hortt agreed with Max. Hortt moved to decline the County proposal for police protection and advertise the position of police chief, Max seconded, passed 5-0.

Keith reported Judge Deuel was retiring and the City would also have to hire a judge. Mayor Crook suggested the Genola Judge, Tim Haveron, might be considered.

John French stated he would like to see Santaquin work with the County and asked if the County could share the Police Station for their substation.

Mayor Crook replied they may be able to offer them space and work together to get other programs.

It was stated Payson was hiring a Public Safety Director.

Keith updated the sewer project. The design is done, they will receive the final by the end of November, it will require the State's approval, no more lawsuits, it will go to bid in February or March and eighteen months for completion, August of 95.

Jim Degraffenried discussed his need for permanent power in the commercial building he had contracted.

Hortt stated he had contacted the League of Cities regarding this issue on residential structures. He was advised to comply with the code.

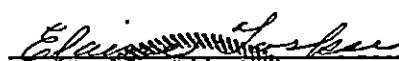
Council compared the difference between a commercial building and a home, putting up bond and liability. Hortt instructed Mr. Degraffenried to get ready for inspection and if the Building Inspector approved this one COMMERCIAL building for permanent power Council also would approve.

Adjournment: At 7PM Hortt moved to adjourn, Calvin seconded, passed 5-0.

Approved this 16th day of November, 1993.



Mayor D. Lynn Crook



Elaine Oakes, Recorder

